



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Group Art Unit: 2883

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Examiner: Charlie Yu PENG

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For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THREE-DIMENSIONAL POLYIMIDE OPTICAL WAVEGUIDE

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on February 13, 2006 and March 13, 2006:

REMARKS

During the interview, the following was discussed:

1. Brief description of exhibits or demonstration: None
2. Identification of claims discussed: Claim 9
3. Identification of art discussed: DeVoe
4. Identification of principal proposed amendments: Amending claim 9 to recite the pulse frequency recited in claim 10.
5. Brief Identification of principal arguments: DeVoe does not disclose a pulse laser having a frequency of 10 Hz to 500 kHz.
6. Indication of other pertinent matters discussed: During the interview conducted on February 13, 2006, the Examiner's withdrawal of the allowance of claims 9 and 10 in the

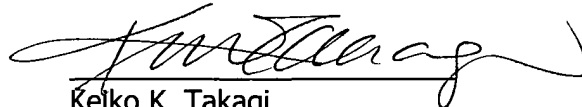
Advisory Action was discussed, and Applicants' representative requested that the Advisory Action be replaced with an Office Action. However, the Examiner indicated that the amendment of claims 2-4 and 7-8 to depend from claim 9 resulted in new combinations that were not previously examined, and thus, the Examiner stated that a new Office Action would not be issued. In addition, the Examiner advised that he would be willing to grant an interview to discuss any amendments Applicants might consider making in order to distinguish the present invention from DeVoe prior to the filing of any Amendment.

7. Results of Interview: The Examiner agreed that DeVoe does not disclose a pulse laser having a frequency of 10 Hz to 500 kHz, and that the amendment would most likely result in a Notice of Allowance.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this case, and any required fee, except for the Issue Fee, for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,



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